

# Georgia State Climatology Office

## Responses to Drought

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# Overview

- Who are we?
- What do we do?
- Who do we work with?
- How do we respond to drought?

# Where is the SC Office?

- We are in the Biological and Agricultural Engineering Department at the University of Georgia in Athens
- Contact us at 706-542-6067 or email: [climate@engr.uga.edu](mailto:climate@engr.uga.edu)

# Staff

- Dr. David Stooksbury, State Climatologist
- Pam Knox, Assistant State Climatologist

# What do we do?

The Office of the Georgia State Climatologist should at a minimum

- Coordinate and collect weather observations for the purpose of climate monitoring,
- Summarize and disseminate weather and climate information to the user community,
- Demonstrate the value of climate information in the decision making process,

# What do we do? (continued)

- Perform climate impact assessments and weather event evaluations,
- Conduct climate research, diagnosis, and projections, and
- Assist state agencies in their weather and climate needs.

# Who do we work with?

National Weather Service

National Climatic Data Center

Southeast Regional Climate Center

National Drought Monitor

Agricultural Statistics Service

# Who do we work with?

Automated Environmental Monitoring  
Network

Georgia Emergency Management  
Agency

Georgia Forestry Commission

....and many more

# Drought-specific responsibilities

- Media contact
- Drought Monitor coordination
- Drought planning committee
- Ag Statistics Service weekly newsletter

# Some Sources of Drought Information

[www.georgiadrought.org](http://www.georgiadrought.org)

[www.georgiaweather.net](http://www.georgiaweather.net)



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